

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:307
ANSWERED ON:05.08.2002
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH
GUNIPATI RAMAIAH

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a need to further encourage and expand the agricultural research in the country;
- (b) if so, the proposals thereof; and
- (c) the details of the current annual expenditure incurred on agricultural research with the details of expenditure on the new proposals?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI AJIT SINGH)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NOT TO BE ANSWERED ON 5th AUGUST, 2002 REGARDING AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH.

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) Besides conducting research through the ongoing Plan Scheme, some of the new proposals have been identified for the Xth Five Year Plan. The details of which are given in Annex-1.
- (c) The details of annual expenditure incurred by the Department are as under:

(Rs. in Crores)

Head	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-01
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Non-Plan	277.15	351.04	516.4	790.64	703.64
Plan	312.13	323.02	427.72	455.00	516.04
Total	589.28	674.06	944.26	1245.64	1219.68

The expenditure details in respect of the year 2001-02 are being consolidated.

Since the Xth Five Year Plan started from April, 2002, the details of expenditure to be incurred on new proposals are in the process of finalization.

ANNEXE-I

NEW PROPOSALS IDENTIFIED FOR Xth FIVE-YEAR PLAN

In addition to the strengthening of some of the ongoing programmes, the following new proposals have been identified for Xth Five Year Plan

- i. National Bureau of Indian Veterinary Type Cultures
- ii. National Research Centre for Agricultural Extension
- iii. Networking of Transgenics
- iv. Networking of Bio-systematic of Insects
- v. Networking of Organic Farming
- vi. Network on Impact of Climatic Change.
- vii. Network on Toxins
- viii. Educational programmes covering Education Technology Cell, Vocational Courses, HRD: SAU - NAAARM Regional facility, Instructional Model Plants and New Centres under Centres of Advance Studies.